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The following letter is from Bland Courtney, a mine boss at Middleton, two miles from Monongah, to his father, Thomas C. Courtney.

"We have been having things to think about the past few days. Of course you have heard of the terrible disaster that befell the poor people of Monongah. Well no tongue can tell the horror of the sights witnessed. Already 329 dead bodies have been taken out; many of them so horribly mangled as to bear little resemblance to the human form: many with head, arms and legs burned to a crisp. I worked from Friday up till Monday night in the mines. There has been work for everybody to do. Men of all callings and occupations were needed. On Sunday there were 25,000 people in Monongah, and thousands have been there every day since. Every house that did not have a member of the household in the mine (and there was not many) was thrown open to the rescuers to eat and sleep in. All business places are still closed. I have been there every day and night since the accident. Last night there were so many corpses that they were set in rows on the street. Everywhere you looked was a dead man. Undertakers come from miles around and were at work day and night in four or five different houses. The new bank was used for a morgue.

The friends of the victims had to stay all the time to claim the remains as there was no place for so many corpses, and the bodies getting hard to handle. I think the number of victims will run to four hundred before they are all out of the mines. The cause of the explosion is unknown, as there was no one left to tell the tale. Of all the heart rending scenes, none could be more so than that at the mine after the explosion, women actually tearing the flesh from their faces and tearing their hair out by the hand full. It certainly was awful."

The presidential campaign is beginning to evolve from the mists and assume tangible form. The Republicans will hold their national convention in Chicago on June 17 and the Democrats in Denver July 7. At present the fight for the Republican nomination is narrowing to two possibilities, Taft, of Ohio, and Hughes, of New York. The administration seems to have decided upon Taft as heir apparent, and by its influence has prevented the New York State Committee from endorsing Hughes. Bryan will be the Democratic nominee—the only other possibilities being Major Johnson, of Cleveland, and Governor Johnson, of Minnesota. All three are men of Jeffersonian type: honest, sincere, fearless, able exponent of a government of the people, for the people, by the people. Neither of the latter is in the way of Bryan, whose ideas of public policy a few years have proven right. Upon him the hosts of Democracy unite, and in him the American people a leader. He is not an opportunist, but a bold champion of the rights of the people. To encompass his defeat protected interests and stock gamblers once contributed a corruption fund of more than a dozen millions of dollars, but he has risen from the ashes of this defeat with renewed strength.

Notice

All parties knowing themselves to be indebted to the estate of Peter Shinneberry will please settle the same at once, and all parties having claims against the estate of the said Peter Shinneberry will please present the same at once properly proven the undersigned,

JOHN SHINNEBERRY, Adm'r

Rev. Mr. Bain will preach at the following churches the first Sunday in January: Kerr Memorial 11 a. m.; Liberty 3 p. m.; Baxter 7:30 p. m.

WANTED—An assistant teacher for the Hunterville school. Said teacher must hold a first or second grade certificate; also several teachers in the Hunterville district.

J. W. McCarty, Secretary, Hunterville, W. Va.

FIDUCIARY NOTICE

All persons will take notice that the following accounts are before the undersigned commissioner of accounts for settlement:

J. C. Louny, Administrator of the estate of Louny, dec'd. Quincy S Conry, administrator of the estate of Thomas Callison, dec'd

Jas N. White administrator of the estate of Wm. Burns, dec'd. S. B. Hannah and C. A. Lightner, executors of Allen Galford, deceased.

T. S. McNEEL, Comis'r.

The opportunity you have been looking for

Telegraphy

30,000 More Operators Wanted 550 Wanted by the Southern Railroad by March 2, 1908.

POSITIONS GUARANTEED TO TELEGRAPHY STUDENTS

We have made this arrangement with the Southern Railway Company.—The student will enter our college for a course in telegraphy, usually requiring about six months. At the end of three months, or thereabouts, if the pupil is capable of assisting in a railway office, the Southern Railway Co. will place him as an assistant in an office at a salary of \$25.00 per month for three months, or until he is capable of taking charge of an office, when he will be placed on the regular standard salary. Our Telegraphy Department is in charge of a practical operator from the Southern Railway Company.

Enroll now so that you will be prepared to become an assistant when the great demand comes on March 2. Ladies are wanted as well as men. The ladies are employed in the large offices.

Bookkeeping, Shorthand, Type writing, English and all associated branches thoroughly taught. Shenandoah Valley Business College, Harrisonburg, Va.

Notice

All persons having claims against the estate of J. H. Patterson, deceased, will present the same properly proven to the undersigned administrator for settlement. All persons owing said estate are notified to settle up at once.

ARTHUR C. PATTERSON, Adm'r.

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why pay a big price for Groceries when you can them for the following:

- Sugar, granulated, small lots 5 1/2c
" 100lb lots, 5 1/2c
" barrel 5 1/2c
Coffee, Arabica 15 1/2c
" other brands 14 to 23c
Potatoes, per bushel 1 00
Onions, " 1 20
Apples " 1 20
Beans, white navy, per lb 5 1/2
" lima " 5 1/2

All canned goods at lowest possible prices. Special prices on case lots. A nice fresh line of Xmas candies, fruits, nuts, etc.

CASH paid for Country Produce Orders by mail or Phone will receive prompt attention.

Give us a Call, Respectfully,

J. S. Gladwell, Seebert, W. Va

Not in the same flat. Happiness and suspicion cannot dwell under the same roof.

COMMISSIONERS SALE

Pursuant to a decree of the circuit court of Pocahontas County, West Virginia, entered in the chancery cause of W. R. Gourley vs Christina F Galford and others entered on the 9th day of November, 1907, the undersigned special commissioner will on

Tuesday, January 21, 1908, at the front door of the courthouse of Pocahontas county, West Virginia, sell at public auction to the highest bidder that certain lot and building in the town of Marlinton, known as lot 10 of block 21. This lot has on it a double two-story building used for a pool room and other purposes, and is situated on 3rd Avenue just in the rear of the Bank of Marlinton building and is a very desirable property.

Terms of sale: Cash in hand sufficient to pay costs of suit and expenses of sale and the sum of \$545.00, with interest from October 1, 1907, and the residue on a credit of six months with interest, the purchaser executing bond with good personal security, the title to be retained as ultimate security.

ANDREW PRICE, Special Commissioner I. J. G. Tilton, Clerk of the Circuit Court of said county, do hereby certify that Andrew Price, the above named special commissioner, has executed bond as required by said decree. J. G. TILTON, Clerk

Commissioners Sale.

Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County, rendered at the October Term of said court, 1907, in a cause there pending in which G. W. Allen was plaintiff and R. Q. Young, et. als. were defendants, the undersigned Special Commissioner will proceed to sell by way of public auction to the highest bidder, on Tuesday, the 21st day of January, 1908, at the front door of the Court-house of said county, a certain lot, tract or parcel of land lying in the Edray District of Pocahontas County, West Virginia, known as the R Q Young Farm, containing 131 acres, lying on Alder Lick Run, being the same land that was conveyed to the said R Q Young by W. H. Hart and wife by deed dated January 30, 1904, of record in the Office of the Clerk of the County Court of said county, in Deed Book 25, page 389.

Said farm in a high state of cultivation and has a good house and all necessary out-buildings thereon and will make anyone a good home.

Terms of Sale: Cash in hand sufficient to pay the costs of suit, and sale, and the residue upon a credit of six (6), twelve (12) and eighteen (18) months, taking from the purchaser bond with good personal security for the deferred payments, the title to be retained as ultimate security.

W. A. BRATTON, H. S. RUCKER.

I, J. G. TILTON, Clerk of the Circuit Court of said county, do hereby certify that the foregoing commissioners have executed before me bond in the penalty of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3000.00) conditioned according to law.

J. G. TILTON CLERK. FARM FOR SALE.—35 acres on Greenbrier River all under fence and in good meadow sod. Fair buildings. Price reasonable. Address P. O. Box, 180 Marlinton, W. Va.

Methodist Episcopal Church South Jno. A. Gere Shipley, pastor. Dec. 29, 9:45 a m Sunday School. 11 a. m. Sermon by pastor—subject, "The Past." 6:30 p m Epworth League 7:30 p. m. preaching by pastor, Subject, Politics and Religion.

I will sell at a sacrifice, no reasonable offer rejected, 130 acres 3 miles to R. R. station. 100 acres under cultivation. Good land; best markets, plenty buildings. For further particulars write to or inquire of J. W. Meyers, Midland, Va.

The First Sign of a Cold

Should remind you that the best time to commence taking something is at the beginning. It should remind you that the best remedy to head off a special of sneezing, coughing and general unpleasantness is.

OUR OWN COLD TABLETS.

It stimulates the depressed nerves, allays fever and starts the vital machinery to running with its accustomed smoothness.

Mail Postage Paid Price 25 cents

S. B. Wallace & Co. Druggist

Bank of Marlinton Building.

Land Sold for Taxes

List of Real estate sold in the county of Pocahontas, in the month of December, 1907, for the nonpayment of taxes charged thereon for the year 1905, and purchased by individuals:

Name of person charged with taxes	Local description of land	Quantity of land	Quantity of taxes	Name of purchaser	Whole amount paid by purchaser
Edray District					
Cole, W R	Clover creek	5 80	5 80	Andrew Price	46 37
Cundiff, N H	Buckley mtn	87 48	87 48	Andrew Price	3 28
Kellison, J J & Jack	"	111	111	J E Arbogast	5 26
McGraw, Jno T	B'ver Dam	204 80	204 80	L M McClintic	9 43
same	same	160	160	same	6 64
Greenbank District					
Mohr, G C	adj JM Geiger	53 48	53 48	Geo N Tacy	2 66
Mohr & Braucher	Gr Riv	34 120	34 120	J E Arbogast	2 48
same	Moser spr run	200	95	same	6 95
Mays, Amanda est	Deer cr	88-100	38 100	Geo N Tacy	2 01
Puffenbarger, Jnas	Alhy mt	29	29	J E Arbogast	2 57
Kerr, Geo est of wm wts	deer cr	86	86	same	4 13
same	same	88	88	same	3 66
same	same	1	1	same	2 15
Hunterville District					
Rider, J F est	Knapps cr	100	100	J E Arbogast	4 79
Little Levels District					
McGraw, Jno T	Hills cr	408	408	L M McClintic	19 85

The owner of any real estate above described and sold, his heirs or assigns or any person having a right to charge such real estate for a debt, may redeem the same by paying to the purchaser, his heirs or assigns, within one year from the sale thereof, the amount specified in the last column of the above table, and such additional taxes there on as may have been paid by the purchaser, his heirs or assigns, with interest on said purchase money and taxes at the rate of twelve per centum per annum, from the time the same may have been so paid. Given under my hand this 17th day of December, 1907. J. S. McNEEL, S. P. C.

Locust Logs Wanted

We will buy locust, either in logs or sawed 1 1/2 inches thick. For prices and further particulars apply to W. R. MOORE, Stoney Bottom, West Virginia.

C. S. SHEPHERD, COVINGTON, VA.

with ROUSE, HEMPSTONE and CO. Baltimore, Md.

Importers and Jobbers of Notions and Furnishing Goods. A card to Covington, Virginia, will bring me when needing goods.

LAND FOR SALE:—Two tracts of land, about 1/2 miles apart, containing 51 acres and 45 acres, more or less. The first tract is in the woods except 2 1/2 acres improved. Of the second tract about 30 acres is improved. This is good grass and farm land and lies two miles above Edray at Warwick. Good house; well watered, good orchard, near school and good neighborhood. For further particulars apply to R. B. Miller, Warwick, W. Va.

FOR SALE

Having sold my farm I will sell privately the following live stock: 6 good work horses; 9 2 year old steers; 2 two year old bulls; 10 milk cows; 69 good ewes.

R. H. CLARK, Falling Spring, W. Va.

NOTICE

All persons having claims against the estate of J. P. Moomau are hereby notified to present the same duly proven to the undersigned for settlement. Those indebted to said estate are notified to pay up at once.

Mrs. N. J. MOOMAU, Adm'r.

FARM FOR SALE

GAME—Highest Prices paid for Bear, Deer and all other kinds of game both large and small, by Myers Provisions Co. of Wheeling, W. Va. Extra good prices paid for pheasant.

Let Us Help You!

The time is getting short and Christmas will soon be here. You will have to give present to your loved ones. Also, by the way, you will need some for your self. Come and look over our line and we will help you decide what it shall be, as we have a full line of clothing, shoes, hats, caps, overshirts, underwear, collars, ties, mufflers, fancy vests, dress suit cases, trunks, umbrellas, for men and ladies; arctics, house slippers, jewelry, handkerchiefs, linen and silk; hosiery, belts, suspenders, gloves,—everything the latest and the best. Prices the lowest, and a full line to pick from and satisfaction guaranteed.

Also we have a big stock of suits and overcoats, as and the season was against us we are going to sell them at sacrifice prices.

\$10 suits and overcoats	go at \$7 48	\$16 00	"	"	\$11.48
12 00	"	8 98	17 00	"	12.48
14 00	"	10.48	18 00	"	12.98
15 00	"	10.98	20 00	"	14.98

Remember we don't offer shelf worn goods but every garment is this seasons style.

Shulman Bros.

A Revelation In Harness-Making

I have recently purchased a Landis wax thread, lock-stitch harness machine. This machine uses hard wax and does work far superior to hand work, because it uses a smaller awl, larger and stronger thread, pulls the stitches tighter and makes more stitches to the inch than hand work. It is absolutely guaranteed that harness sewed on this machine will wear longer than the best hand work.

I will continue to use the very best number one oak tanned leather, but will reduce the price of harness because the machine will do the work of ten men and therefore greatly reduce the cost of making harness.

A farmer who cradles his wheat cannot afford to sell his grain as cheap as the farmer who uses a self binder. This is a machinery age and the same rule applies to the harness business.

Of course there is a vast difference between "factory" made harness and harness made on a Landis machine in my shop because the factory uses poor material, as well as cheap labor, whereas I use the best of leather and thread, and construct the work myself. Mail orders promptly filled. Send for prices. Address all letters to,

Hugh Bankhead.

West of Bridge, Marlinton, W. Va.

New Baker and New Attractions at the

Star Bakery.

We want the ladies as well as gentlemen to come and see. If we have not what you want, we can make anything in our line on short notice. Everything clean, nice and strictly pure.

Let us have your order for fruit cake.

Thanks for past favors. Respectfully,

THE STAR BAKERY.

G. F. Crummett, Prop

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From now until Jan. 1st we will give our customers a reduction of 25 per cent on the dollar

We have counterpanes 75c, \$1, and \$1 50. Ladies long coats lower than have been offered this season by any merchant in town.

If you want to save money we will sell you 18lbs granulated sugar for \$1; 20lbs brown sugar, \$1; 6lbs Sabo coffee, \$1

We have a beautiful line of ladies silk head shawls at a low price.

A nice line of men's, ladies and children's shoes at prices to suit you

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The Best is always The Cheapest.

Special attention is called at this time to the large Line of Stoves and Ranges.

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We sell hardware for building, and furniture for fitting the home from parlor to kitchen

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